

# Star-Bulletin's Page of Sports

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## Vernon Ayau Makes Big Hit With San Francisco Scribes

Honolulu Boy Given Columns of Publicity in California Newspapers—Say That He Will Make Good—Think That Kan Yen Will Have a Chance in Organized Ball—San Francisco Says He Hittin' Blaney Joy Alla Over Lot in Honolulu

Vernon Ayau, who is now in Seattle, ready to begin the season with the Dugdale Club in the Northwest League, in a letter to the writer says that he met Leard and a number of the baseball players in San Francisco, and all went their regards to the fans of Honolulu.

Ayau has been getting more publicity in San Francisco than any player who ever left the islands. San Francisco newspapers have been running four column layouts telling of the work of the star, and he has been pictured in a number of poses. The following remarks in two of the San Francisco dailies are only part of the publicity given the Honolulu boy:

"Hi kee low!"

Vernon Ayau, the only Chinese professional ball player in the world, dropped in this morning on his way to report to Bill Leard of Seattle. Vernon will play short for Seattle this year.

Ayau is a small chap, totalling something like 140 pounds in his playing togs. He talks without a trace of accent and has as good control of slang as any blachertie. He has been playing the international pastime for almost nine years, beginning with St. Louis College in Honolulu. After four college years Ayau joined the famous "All Chinese" club of Honolulu and was a member of that aggregation when signed by Leard last winter. Ayau is making his fifth trip to the mainland. He was here four times with the "All Chinese" team.

The Chinese is confident of making good in the professional baseball world. Playing with the "All Chinese" team he batted against some of the greatest pitchers in the world, inasmuch as the club en tour met something like 150 teams each year in the States, and when at home the "All Chinese" lacked all sorts of invaders from the All Americans to Santa Clara College and the Olympic Club. In all of these games Ayau showed an ability to hit all kinds of pitching, while his fielding was remarkable at all times.

Ball players who have seen him in action predict a great future for him in the baseball world.

Passing of Team

Ayau is glad to have his chance to make good in professional ball, yet he regrets the passing of his first love, the "All Chinese" team. That unique organization, which toured the States several times, has disbanded. Two of its players—Lai Tin and Apau Kan, third baseman and pitcher, respectively—are in Philadelphia working and studying at night. Ayau is to play with Seattle, and Kan Yen, the catcher, is in business in Honolulu.

"It was certainly a fine club," Ayau sighed when asked about his former teammates. "I'll never forget the way we came into the public's eye. It was in '11 or '12, I forget which, that the Waseda College team came to the islands en route to the States. We asked them for a game, and they told us to get a reputation."

"When they came back we must have had a reputation for they gave us a series of three games. We lost the first, won the second, and the third went to us by a score of 1 to 0. On the strength of this we were given a chance to tour the States for the first time. The Chinese merchants of Honolulu financed the first trip. After that it paid for itself."

Ayau was asked if he thought any of the other Chinese players could make good in professional ball.

"Apau Kan could. He pitched a 5-4 game against the All Americans when they were in the islands. Lai Tin could, too. I think. I'm sure Kan Yen, the catcher, could be after, could get by. I think he's waiting to see how I get along before he takes the jump."

Another One

Honolulu, H. I., March 19, 1917.

Dear Cousin:

Lasee n' Chinese boy in Honolulu give me big celebration go. Vernon Ayau go bye.

Heep eateen loast po'k; Heep eateen Hee; Heep eateen chop suey and Chinese noodle. Too much drink em Sam Shu. Too much talk Melican, Hawaiian, Chinese and Japanese.

Time morning big boat go, Vernon Ayau not come. Velly soily inat!

But next boat Vernon Ayau he sure passenger man and when he leaschem city look out. I no know fo' what tong W' Bill Leard belong, but you betcha he'll sign some base ba' player when catchem Ayau.

Too bad You Wing, long time ou' base ba' now heep in si' Oakland, no see Ayau first. He catchem him, he getee one man hittem allee same Ty Cobb; field em allee same Fitzgib; allee loun' playem base ba' like devilee man.

But nexee ya' maybe so San Francisco or Oakland' tong make trade or buy fo' Ayau. Then no can stop him wi' pennant.

Goo bye,

NG LUCK.

P. S.—Spleak fo' Hen Belly. Tell him catchem go! prospect fo' infield. Chinese boy what name callm My Sel. Toy. Hitem Blaney Joy all over lot. If no can use would take job in Chinese noodle factlory NG LUCK.

## Frances Cowells Makes Three New Swimming Marks

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., April 2.—Three American girls' swimming records were broken yesterday, when Frances Cowells, the coast champion, won the 440-yard swimming race in the meet held in Idora Park. The champion went out to break her own record of 4:55 for the 440, and not only did that, but cracked two intermediate records on which official times were taken. The 200 yards was the first record to go with new figures of 2:55, breaking Olga Dorfner's mark of 2:59 1-2, made in Philadelphia; and the 300-yard distance fell by the boards, when Miss Cowells was clocked in 4:24, as against 4:43 4-5, previously held by Claire Galligan of New York. The third record was the 440, which Miss Cowells finished in 3:44 4-5.

The men's races were close and interesting. George Schroth, the Sacramento winner, taking first in the 100 and 220 in good time. The results:

50 yards—Won by Walter Grace, Ralph Kendrick, second, W. Hottelkamp, third. Time, 0:23 3-4.

220 yards—Won by G. Schroth. Sacramento, G. Sundman, second, A. Purcell, third. Time, 2:48.

440 yards—Won by Frances Cowells.

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## ST. LOUIS SQUAD BREAKS EVEN ON MAUI EXCURSION

Honolulu Boys Win Basketball Game and Take One of the Baseball Contests

St. Louis College athletes, headed by Billy Miles, broken even in the games on Maui Saturday. Sunday and Monday, winning the basketball game, one baseball contest and losing two of the diamond tilts to the Mauiites. The players returning state that they had a most enjoyable time and a number of them remained over to make the trip to Haleakala.

More than 1000 spectators gathered on Sunday at Wailuku to watch the battle between the Maui All-Stars and the St. Louis team. Markham was on the mound for St. Louis and held the Stars safe throughout, while the Honolulu boys hit the ball to all corners of the lot.

In the Monday game the St. Louis players met a team of real stars, composed of many senior players, and lost out by a score of 12 to 3. Hayelden pitched for the local boys, but was not in his best form. The basketball players from St. Louis secured revenge for the defeat on Saturday in baseball when they downed the five leading basketball stars of Maui by a score of 33 to 11.

In Saturday's game the St. Louis players were not in shape, but scored six runs off Kuku, the star pitcher of the Mauiites. Markham and Hayelden both pitched for St. Louis. Rodriguez made a homer for Maui and Lai Sin connected for a triple. The Honolulu boys were very much impressed with the class of ball played by the athletes of the Valley Island.

The lineup in Saturday's game was as follows:

Maui All-Stars—W. Cummings, ss.; J. Silva, st.; A. Pomo, 1b.; De Rego, c.; J. Rodriguez, 3b.; Ah Kiong, lf.; N. Cockett, 2b.; H. Choitz, rf.; J. Kulu, p.

St. Louis—Fun Look, cf.; G. Haneberg, 2b.; Lai Sinn, 1b.; Chun Chew, cf.; Kurisaki, c.; You Ben Hee, ss.; King Tan, 3b.; Lam Wing, lf.; H. Markham, p.; C. Hayelden, p.

Basketball stars for St. Louis—"Smiles" Vredenburg, Lam Wing, "Dutch" Vredenburg, Kanahale and Fun Luke.

THE RESULTS

Basketball—St. Louis, 33; Maui, 11.

Baseball—Maui 13, St. Louis 6; St. Louis 24, Maui 5; Maui 12, St. Louis 3.

## CHINESE DEFEAT NATIONAL SQUAD

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Standing of Clubs

Club	P.	W.	L.	Pct.
All-Chinese	8	7	1	.875
Oahu	8	7	1	.875
Cosmos	8	5	3	.625
Mid-Pacific	8	4	4	.500
Hawaii	8	3	5	.375
Service	4	1	3	.250
Nationals	12	1	11	.083

Last night's results—All-Chinese 3, Nationals 1.

Tomorrow's match—Service vs. Cosmos.

It's a long road that has no turning. After bumping the bumps for the last six weeks the Nationals turned on the crack All-Chinese bowling club last night and took a game from the leaders. A spurt in the seventh and eighth frames gave the Nationals a lead which they held to the end of the second game and won out 804 to 791.

The Chinese rolled big 900 games in the first and last attempts and finished with 2700 even. Both teams tried out their full squads. Bill Rasmann made his first appearance of the season and will add strength to the Nationals after a little practice. Bill certainly put life into a team.

K. T. Pong bettered his average again by rolling 581 for total pinfall. Pong is only one pin behind Wikander, who is leading the league. James Ho and Francis Sing continued their great work for the All-Chinese. Glen McTaggart, the Nationals' southpaw, did the best work for his team with a 178 average.

Tomorrow's match brings the Service and Cosmos together. On Friday the Oahu meet the Mid-Pacifics. Last night's lineup and scores:

All-Chinese—1st 2nd 3d Total

Sing 179 158 221 558

Yap 172 161 208 541

Chong 163 158 182 503

Ching 126 126 126 378

Young 165 165 165 495

Ho 232 166 168 566

Pong 202 180 199 581

Totals 948 791 961 2700

Nationals—

Kal Luke 137 172 147 456

McTaggart 159 197 177 533

Brown 105 77 105 287

Stephens 97 97 97 291

Woolaway 151 134 285

Nakamatsu 150 130 280

Rasmann 144 134 278

Tulloch 129 129 258

Totals 612 804 717 2133

MEREDITH PLANS TO BECOME U. S. FLIER

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 27.—Ted Meredith, famous University of Pennsylvania athlete, holder of the half mile and the quarter mile records, has announced his intention of entering the United States army as an aviator. Meredith plans to organize a University of Pennsylvania flying squadron. Don Lippincott, a former sprinting champion, who took a prominent part in the last Olympic games, also plans to become an aviator.

"Nig" Koons, a former Pennsylvania varsity catcher, and Wayne Vetterlein, hockey player, followed Lippincott today with announcements that they would join Meredith.

## SWIMMING MEET TONIGHT

The final events of the Y. M. C. A. pentathlon will be held at the tank this evening when the leading swimmers of Honolulu, including Duke Kahanamoku, George Cunha, John Kelli, Har-Old Kruser and Clarence Lane, compete in a number of events. The under-22 will be one of the feature events this evening. Lane will swim 75 yards and other swimmers will go after a mark in the 220-yard event.

## BABY REGIMENT TILT WON BY H

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, April 10.—Two company teams of the 32d Infantry engaged in a game yesterday, the participants being Company H and Company K, the former emerging victor by the one-sided score of 9 to 1. The game was the result of the series the two cuttits played with the Marines, both teams faring about the same at the hands of the sea soldiers, and the tilt was to decide the supremacy between the two companies. Company K made an imposing appearance in their new baseball togs and equipment, but probably thought a prayer would go for good playing, but lost out. Company H played a tight game, Farmer and Buckland yielding but five hits and one run. Company K made four errors in fielding and twice that number in headwork and baserunning. Company H is charged with but one bobbie, which gave a Company K man a life on one tally and eventually resulted in the one tally scored. The features of the game were the slugging of Fitzpatrick, who gathered two homers and a double, Thompson's long home run drive, and Zeare's double. Harris, Farmer and Zeare were the bright fielding stars for the victors. Credit must be given Company K routers for sticking to the finish of the game and watching their pets take a wallowing.

Company K	ABRHPPOA E
Wardell, cf.	1 0 0 0 0 1
Sorel, cf.	2 0 0 0 0 1
Sinney, lf.	2 0 0 0 0 1
Korn, lf.	1 0 0 0 0 0
De Vergies, 2b.	4 0 2 1 3 0
Holcomb, p.	3 1 0 0 1 0
Shelton, c.	3 0 2 3 1 0
Murphy, 1b.	4 0 0 0 0 0
Gavin, ss.	3 0 1 1 3 2
Ward, rf.	2 0 0 0 0 0
Ballew, 3b.	3 0 1 5 1 0
Totals	35 1 5 21 12 4

Company H	ABRHPPOA E
Fitzpatrick, 2b.	4 2 3 2 2 1
Harris, c.	4 2 2 1 0 1
Buckland, p.	4 1 2 0 1 0
Thompson, lf.	3 3 2 1 0 0
Wassnowski, 1b.	4 0 0 3 2 0
Farmer, 3b.	4 0 0 3 2 0
Zeare, cf.	4 0 1 2 1 0
Galrair, rf.	3 1 0 0 0 0
Connolly, ss.	3 0 0 0 0 0
Totals	33 9 11 21 7 1

Score by innings:

Co. H.....0 1 0 0 0 0 0 6

Co. H.....3 3 0 0 1 1 1

Summary—Home runs, Fitzpatrick 2, Thompson 1; two basehits, Fitzpatrick, Zeare; sacrifice hits, Ward; stolen bases, Harris; hit by pitcher, Thompson by Shelton; bases on balls, off Shelton 1, Farmer 2, Buckland 2; struck out, by Shelton 3, Holcomb 4, by Farmer 4, Buckland 6; wild pitches, Shelton; passed balls, Ballew, Timpires, Cassels. Time of game 1 hour 30 minutes.

## FUTURE GREATS HAS BEEN

Judge McCredie, Walter McCredie, the war correspondents and ball players of the Portland team are shouting the praises of the local B. P. O. E. to the skies. Wherever the Portland boys go they tell of the hospitality of the "Hello Bills" in Honolulu.

Bill Johnston and Clarence Griffin have dissolved partnership. The famous tennis pair which won the doubles championship last year will not play together this season. Johnston and Strachan will go after the title while Griffin will link arms with Dan Cupid.

If there is one team in the world which can win from Johnston and Griffin it is Johnston and Strachan. "Peck" Griffin is the most experienced court general in the game today, but Strachan is a better all-around player. Strachan could win a singles match from Griffin easily. Strachan will, without doubt, play the net game with Johnston in the back court. Strachan

## GRAMMAR SCHOOL ATHLETES READY FOR TRACK MEET

Youngsters Will Compete in Events at Alexander Field on Saturday Afternoon

Youngsters throughout the city have been donning trunks for the past few days, preparatory to the entrance in the track meet on Saturday afternoon at Alexander Field, when the students of all the grammar schools in the city will compete for honors.

When the Star-Bulletin first suggested such a meet it was expected that there would be considerable interest in watching the youngsters perform, but the interest aroused in the grammar school meet has more than come up to expectations. Glenn Jackson and W. R. Humphries have been working on the plan, giving their undivided attention to boosting the meet.

Many Enter Meet

Athletes from Central Grammar, Royal Kaula, Kaahumanu, Kaihi, Normal, Liliuokalani, St. Louis, Mililani, Punahoa and other schools are to meet tomorrow evening at the Y. M. C. A. to complete final arrangements for the various events. Honolulu Military Academy will be the only school not to enter the meet. It was expected that they would enter, but have as yet failed to send a representative to the meetings.

The games committee for the meet will be composed of W. H. Humphries, Brother Elmer, Glenn Jackson and Frank Midkiff. These officials have arranged to secure the best men possible to officiate in the meet. The first event will begin at 1:30 o'clock and a ten-man 1000-yard relay will conclude the program.

Boost for Youngsters

This meet should be a big boost for amateur athletics in Hawaii, and with the youngsters taking an interest in the sport, our future meets are certain to be of a higher standard. W. T. Rawlins, John Soper and Lorrin Andrews of the A. A. U. have endorsed the movement, and are confident that amateurism instilled among the youngsters will do much for the sport in the future.

A preliminary meet held Kaula school gave the following results:

50-yard dash—Eighth grade: Wong Luke, Toroki, Urata, Kenichi, Yamada.

Seventh grade: Taragi Ohara, Solomon Kenn, Ah Wang Chow. Sixth grade: Tsutomu Tsukamoto, Ah Tung Hu, Sam Hipa.

100-yard dash—Eighth grade: Wong Luke, Toroki, Kenichi. Seventh grade: Solomon Kenn, Naniwa, Aoragi. Sixth grade: Ah Tung Hu, Sam Hipa, Kwai Yon Yon.

220-yard dash—Eighth grade: Toroki and William Jones tied for first place; Kenichi. Seventh grade: Solomon Kenn, Naniwa, Toragi. Sixth grade: Sam Hipa, Ah Tung, Kwai Yon Yon.

High jump—Eighth grade: Ah Yau, Henry Copp; Yoichi and Sang Kai tied for third. Seventh grade: Solomon Kenn, Ah Wang Chow, Naniwa. Sixth grade: Sam Hipa, Ah Tung, Kam On.

Broad jump, relay—Eighth grade: Room 32, Totoki, Uratake, Wong Luke, Takeo, Yoichi; Room 31, Ah Yau, Kelvin, Wong, Tetsuo Okasaki, William Jones. Seventh grade: Rooms 29, Room 30; Sixth grade: Room 28, Room 26.

400-yard relay—Eighth grade: Room 32. Seventh grade: Room 29. Sixth grade: Room 28.

Total points—Eighth grade: Room 32, 44; Room 31, 24. Seventh grade: Room 29, 38; Room 30, 30. Sixth grade: Room 28, 50; Room 26, 18.

DARCY AND JEFF SMITH ARE TO FIGHT IN NEW ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 28.—Les Darcy of Australia and Jeff Smith of New York will fight 20 rounds to a decision here May 4, according to the announcement tonight of a local promoter. The bout will be advertised as for the middle-weight championship of the world.

KEEP FARMERS HOME

[By Associated Press]

BERLIN, Germany.—To prevent any further exodus of agricultural workers from the farms to highly paid jobs in the munition factories, the following appeal signed by the Director of Civil and Military Supplies, General Groener, has been placarded in all the rural districts.

"Agricultural work is a patriotic auxiliary service. Our brothers at the front in the factories at home rely on you. Be proud of this. He who runs away from the plough to the town for the sake of earning a few pence more is a deserter. Hold back such weaklings by example and word."

TY COBB IN GAME

WAXAHACHIE, Tex., March 27.—Ty Cobb played in his first game of the season today, failing to get a hit but doing sensational fielding. The Detroit Americans defeated the Fort Worth team, 6 to 5.

KID WILLIAMS WINNER

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 27.—Kid Williams of Baltimore outfoight Jimmy Murray of this city in a 10-round bout here tonight. The weights were, Williams 119 1/2, Murray 118 1/2.

and Griffin won the doubles championship in 1913. All three stars played here in February.

## Norman Ross Breaks Three World's Records In East

Portland Swimmer Sets New Marks for the 220, 440 and 500 Yard Events in a Tank—Wins Two National Championships From Ted Cann of New York—Cann Wins From Olympic Nator in Century Swim—Great Future Predicted

Record in 220 Swim

NEW YORK, N. Y., March 27.—Norman Ross of the Olympic Club of San Francisco smashed the world's record for 220 yards in winning the national amateur championship at that distance in the New York A. C. tonight, in a 25-yard tank. He led Teddy Cann of the New York A. C. over the line in the wonderful time of 2 minutes 22 1-5 seconds. His margin of victory was scant, varying in estimate of those at the line from two feet to 18 inches.

This new-record bettered the former mark made in 1916 by H. E. Vollmer, captain of the Columbia University swimming team. Vollmer's records was 2 minutes 23 2-5 seconds, and was also made in the N. Y. A. C. pool. Ross' new time is not the best that has ever been made for that distance as he swam it in the 100-foot pool of the Olympic Club in 2 minutes 21 3-5 seconds, and this record is awaiting official sanction.

A. E. Downes of the New York Athletic Club won the A. A. U. national fancy diving title with 142.7 points. A. W. Hartung of the Illinois A. C. Chicago, was second with 136.48, and Rutherford Lawrence, New York A. C., third with 127.19.

Second in 100-Yard Swim

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 29.—Tedford Cann of the New York Athletic Club tonight won the 100-yard National A. A. U. swimming championship in 55 1-5 seconds in a meet at the Pittsburgh Aquatic Club.

Norman Ross of the Olympic Club of San Francisco was second, less than a yard behind Cann, and Tim Crannon of the Pittsburgh Aquatic Club finished a good third. The time made by Cann breaks the local record of 56 1-5 seconds set in the same event last year by Perry McMillan of Chicago.

Lew Henderson is in a receipt of a letter from George Kistler, coach of the University of Pennsylvania swimming team, in which Kistler writes that he met Norman Ross in Philadelphia, and says that Ross is the best specimen of an athlete he ever saw, meaning the build of the "Big Moose."

Kistler asked about Duke and the other members of the Hui Nalu Club, and asked that he be remembered to all of his friends in Honolulu. Lew Henderson was one of the few critics who predicted that Ross would set new records in future competition, and was naturally pleased when word was received that the Olympic Club boy had made a sensation in the East.

Breaks Two Records

DETROIT, Mich., March 31.—Norman Ross of the Olympic Club of San Francisco broke two records tonight at the National Amateur Athletic Union swimming meet at the Detroit Athletic Club. In the 500-yard senior championship race he defeated Ted Cann of the New York Athletic Club and "Bud" Waller of the Chicago Hamilton Club. Ross broke the world's record for 440 yards during the race, making that distance in 5 minutes 16 1-5 seconds, and broke the American record for the entire distance with a time of 5 minutes 5 1-5 seconds. Both records were held by Ludy Langer.

Miss Olga Dorfner, woman swimmer champion, swam 100 yards against a Detroit relay team, and defeated the combined field with a time of 1 minute 9 4-5 seconds.

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